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## SNE Action Alert – White House Conference

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Dear SNE members –

Please take a few moments to urge your Representative to support/co-sponsor H.R. 2297, a bill to require the President to call a White House Conference on Food and Nutrition introduced by Representatives McGovern and Emerson and referred to the House Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Rules. SNE has sent a letter to key leaders, but the bill needs more co-sponsors and support.

The first such conference was held in 1969 and had a major impact on improving the effectiveness of federal programs in reducing food insecurity; improving nutrition, food safety and consumer protection; and expanding educational and job opportunities. (You can see the summary of recommendations and achievements at the NIH website:

[http://www.nns.nih.gov/1969/executive\\_summary/executivesummary.htm](http://www.nns.nih.gov/1969/executive_summary/executivesummary.htm))

To view the bill language and see if your Representative has co-sponsored it, please go to <http://www.thomas.gov> and search for Bill Number HR 2297. If your Representative has already co-sponsored, please write a “thank you” note! If they have not, you can use the letter at the SNE website ([http://www.sne.org/documents/whitehouseconference\\_congressionalleaders.pdf](http://www.sne.org/documents/whitehouseconference_congressionalleaders.pdf)) to urge them to support it! The letter is also attached here for your information.

To find your representative, go to [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov). In all correspondence, please address it to “The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_” and use Dear Senator or Representative \_\_\_\_\_ in the salutation.

Please let us know if you take action! Thank you.

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